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We pause to pay tribute to a great leader of boys' and girls' 4-H club work - Alfred Charles True. Doctor True passed away in Washington on April 23, shortly after completing 40 years of faithful and distinguished service in the United States Department of Apriculture. As director of the States Relations Service from 1915 to 1923, he was the first national leader of boys' and girls' 4-H club work in the United States. Although as director he had many other interests and obligations, boys' and girls' club work was always first concern with him. Under his wise and kindly leadership, the 4-H clubs grew to a youthful army of nearly half a million members.

Doctor True gave to 4-H club work not only leadership. He gave a great character. He was a thinker. He thought things out for himself. He thought clearly and without prejudice. At the proper time he presented his thoughts to those concerned in a clear, calm, and unhurried way. He sought always to persuade, never to drive, others to his way of thinking. He had great patience with those who saw things differently from him. In the end, he usually won them to his way of thinking; first, because he was right and, second, because he painstakingly helped them to think out the matter for themselves.

Doctor True was a man of great friendliness. He sought constantly to be helpful. He was honest, sincere, and kindly, and he looked for honesty, sincerity, and kindness in others. He was a man of cheerfulness, quiet courage, and hopeful spirit. He was a man loyal to his friends and generous to his opponents. He had a firm faith in God and in people.

He left with us a true picture of a kindly, earnest, cultured, Christian gentleman. As such he will live in the hearts of all 4-H club members. He could have no greater tribute.

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The Third National Boys' and Girls' Club Camp will be held this year, as in previous years, on the grounds of the United States Department of Agriculture, from

June 19 to June 25. The delegates will be housed in tents furnished by the United States army, and there will be plenty of blankets in case the weather is cool. There will be a committee on hand at the Union Station to receive delegations arriving by train. At all times there will be a physician from the United States Public Health Service at the camp and there will also be a nurse furnished by the American Red Cross.

- 2-2-2-Beginning with reveille at 6 a.m., a typical day at the camp will include flag raising, swimming or setting-up exercises, breakfast, assembly and conferences of club members and State leaders during the morning. After lunch there will be an educational tour which will, during the week, take in the United States Department of Agriculture Experiment Farm, Beltsville, Md., the Bureau of Engraving and Printing; the Aircraft Building, the Arts and Industries Building, and the Natural History Building of the Smithsonian Institution; the Washington Monument; Library of Congress; Department of Agriculture greenhouses; Capitol; Botanic Gardens; Department of Agriculture Experiment Farm, Arlington, Va.; Arlington National Cemetery; Mount St. Albans Cathedral; Mount Vernon; White House; Corcoran Gallery of Art; Pan American Building; Lincoln Memorial. Assemblies and conferences will be held in the auditorium of the National Museum. There will be speakers at the assemblies who are nationally known. After supper, there will be a recreational period, camp fire, and then, at 10 o'clock, taps.

BOOKS ABOUT WASHINGTON

Washington and Its Romance. Thomas Nelson Page.

Our Capital on the Potomac. Helen Nicolay.

Walks About Washington. Francis E. Leupp.

Your Washington and Mine. Louise ?. Latimer.

Rider's Washington, a Guidebook for Travelers. A.F.Rider, Editor. Tin Soldier. Temple Bailey. Shaft in the Sky. John Temple Graves. Spirit of the House. Anna Vernon Williams.

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SOME OF THE DELEGATES

From Alabama:

Mildred Randall, Lee County. Edna Stacey, Conecuh County. Mabry Phillips, Pickens County. Lee Terry, Lawrence County.

From Connecticut:

Alice Healey, New Haven County. Cornelia Ryon, Middlesex County. Norman Amidon, Windham County. Robert Welch, Eartford County.

From Florida:

Thelma Hood, Santa Rosa County. Louise Owens, Massau County.

From Indiana:

Vera Louise Davis, Grant County. Mildred Lois Tokey, Fulton County. Lucille Wade, Henderson County. Everett Stanley, Henry County. Norman E. Wood, Hancock County.

From Minnesota:

Annie Pederson, Hubbard County. Jeanne Tellier, Dakota County. Alden Flygare, Martin County. Donald Gibson, St. Louis County.

From Missouri:

Lola Acklin, Nodaway County. Lorine Hostetter, Jackson County. Cletus Swackhamer, Henry County. Billy Winfrey, Jackson County.

From New Jersey:

Anna C. Probasco, Mercer County. Virginia Phillips, Ontario County. C. Baird Hammond, Monmouth County. Ralph Johnson, Livingston County.

From Delaware:

Frances Passwaters, Sussex County. Hazel Taylor, Kent County. Claudel Cannon, Sussex County. Edwin Pierson, New Castle County.

From Illinois:

Lucille Gochanour, La Salle County. Mildred Grosball, Menard County. Casper L. Mast, jr., Adams County. Homer Mandenhall, Sangamon County.

From Kentucky:

Leonore Vaughan, Boyd County. Charles B. Mathis, Fayette County. Roy Lee Roman, Jefferson County.

From Mississippi:

- Evelyn Martin, Warren County. Reba Huif, Forrest County.

From North Carolina:

Kathleen Mock, Davidson County. May Swan, Cumberland County. Edmund Aycock, Wayne County. Frank Raymond, Hertford County.

From New York:

Eleanor V. Busbing, Mercer County. Maude Hilliard, Monroe County. Albert Fhillips, Hunterdon County. Francis Oley, Onondaga County.

LATE CABLE. Hawaii is sending one delegate, Koichi Ito, of Maui Island, a boy who has had four years of garden club work. He will be accompanied by Hong Chang Wong, extension agent, Honolulu Island.

SOME OF THE DELEGATES (continued)

From Pennsylvania:

Mary Brubaker, Lancaster County. Elizabeth Jones, Bradford County. George L. Huse, Centre County. Gayle Strickler, Fayette County.

From Texas:

Mary Lou Harbour, Titus County. Clarice Young, Delta County. Isaac Corns, Cameron County. Paul Robinson, Madison County. From Tennessee:

Mary Coppedge, Shelby County.
Pearl Posey, Hamilton County.
James Guthrie, Williamson County.
Leonard Smith, Franklin County.

From Virginia:

Mabel Bibb, Bedford County.
Helen Drinker, Henrico County.
William Frances, Alleghany County.
Keith Oliver, Princess Anne County.

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The West Virginia Farm Women's Bureau has a 4-H girls' loan This is a revolving fund to which the various farm women's clubs of the State contribute. The money is lent to 4-H club girls for educational purposes, at a liberal rate of interest. The clubs have contributed nearly \$3,500 to this fund, but at no time has there been very much in the fund because the money is kept in constant circulation. Twelve girls have borrowed money, of whom 7 have finished their college courses, 3 having paid back their entire debt, the other four making regular payments. Three of the girls are students at the University of West Virginia, and the other two are working. Three of the girls are home demonstration agents, two are homeeconomics teachers, one is a dietitian in a large hospital, one a music teacher, another a nurse. In most cases, money is not lent to freshmen whose ability and sincerity of purpose has not been tried. Most of the girls borrowing have found the loan fund a means of staying in college after they have made a start in some other way and need a little help to carry them over a hard place in the road.

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An organization composed of boys and girls who have reached the club age limit, known as the X-4-H Club, has been organized in Victoria County, Tex. The purpose of the club is to continue, on a more advanced scale, the lines of work which were begun when they were club members and to maintain interest in better farm and home-making methods which was developed during the years of club work.

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W. R. Ralston, assistant State club leader, California, writes: "Good growth and developmentare now a standard part of the 4-H club program in California. In addition to the usual agricultural or home-economics projects, 4-H club members are now embarked upon learning about their own growth. Why learn to develop a champion pig if you can not learn something of your own growth? Regular weighing, coupled with nutrition and rest habits, are the basis of the program."

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Alan Dailey, assistant agricultural editor at South Dakota State College of Agriculture, during February and March, gave eight radio talks over station KFDY at the college on writing news of the farm and the farm home for the weekly and daily newspapers. The newspaper talks were broadcast as a KFDY College-of-the-Air Correspondence Course. Two of the talks were prepared especially for 4-H club reporters, and two talks were prepared for country correspondents of weekly newspapers. How the newspaper can perform a valuable community service by reporting agricultural news, and its function from an educational standpoint, were discussed, in addition to such topics as writing the news story, writing the local news, news sources, and gathering of news.

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"EXTENSION FARM-MEWS," published by the Agricultural Extension Service of the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering, Raleigh, N. C., is being sent to every club member in the State. The paper runs a section especially for club members.

"CONTECTICUT FOUR-LEAF CLOVER" has come out in four-page printed form to be issued monthly to 4-H club members and local leaders in Connecticut, beginning January of this year. Lest year the State club office published the paper as a neostyled sheet but this was discontinued because it was discovered that the sheet could not, under the postal regulations, be franked. However, the paper was published daily during the short course.

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"THE WICHITA BFACON," Wichita, Kras., published an edition called the 4-H Club Special on January 12 in honor of Sedgwick County club members. There was half a page of pictures, with the heading, "Pictorial Glimpse of 4-H Club Activities during the Year 1928." The number featured the banquet given for the boys and girls by the Wichita Chamber of Commerce and the winners of awards for work of the past year. In welcoming members of the 4-H clubs to Wichita, Mr. Levand, the publisher, said: "You, the members of this great body, are engaged in a work of high idealism, of practical service to the community, to the country, and in turn of incalculable benefit to yourselves. Service is the greatest, the finest, thing in the world."

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Members of the Tri Mu Friendly Book Club, a subdivision of the Tri Mu 4-H Club of northern Rhode Island, have been giving systematic attention to good books. They have been reading "Under the 4-H Flag," and writing book reviews of other books which they have been reading.

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We have heard of banquets in honor of local leaders and special emblems for certain outstanding localleaders, but here is something new under the sun - The Washington Extension Service puts out its February "BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUB RECORD" as the local leaders' edition, and it truly lives up to this name. Fourteen printed pages filled with things about leaders, and doings of leaders, and stories by leaders, and photographs of leaders, individual and in groups, right down to the final list of 33 books which were selected as being particularly suitable for reading by local leaders!

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In the April issue of the CASS COUNTY (N. Dak.) CLUB JOURNAL, Charlie Measor, who had the grand-champion big at the nineteenth annual achievement institute which was held at the North Dakota Agricultural College, Fargo, last December, and who has also won first prize with his Hampshire wether lamb. told how he went about selecting animals for the show ring.

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Rock County, Minn., 4-H club leaders, presidents, and 16 reporters, held a news-writing banquet in February with County Agent C. G. Gaylord presiding. Ways and means of advancing club work through publicity were discussed. J. R. Wiggins, of THE ROCK COUNTY STAR, gave a talk on news writing, outlining a good and a poorly written news item.

W. D. Stegner, district club leader of Fairmont, discussed "Proper Leadership in Club Work," "How Leaders Can Best Do Efficient Work," and "The Place of Publicity in Promoting Club Work."

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The "VIRGINIA BEACH WEEKLY," Virginia Beach, Va., published its annual special edition for 4-H clubs on March 13. We quote below a part of the editorial under the title, "Beneath the Surface."

"This issue of the Virginia Beach Weekly is the annual 4-H Club edition. It is offered as an annual survey of the work accomplished by the farm clubs during the previous year and to encourage an activity, the value of which can not be estimated in dollars and cents alone. *** The growth of the organization has been sound and sure. Like the fruits of the soil, its growth begins in the root beneath the surface and for the future is reserved that splendid flowering as its boys and girls become men and women, with clearer heads, more loyal hearts, better health, and hands devoted to a larger service."

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Headed by a two-column seal of the cooperative extension service, "THE GRANT COUNTY NEWS," Williamstown, Ky., runs a section each week entitled "4-H Club News." The section, which amounts to two and a half columns in the issue at hand, is edited by Lana Lamn, a local club leader, and J. E. Wilson, county agent.

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About the new mimeographed club paper published by The Big Rock 4-H Clubs of Chesaning Township, Saginaw County, Mich, as told by the paper itself:

"THE BIG ROCK GAZETTE
Established 1929
C. Harold Blackmer, Editor
Published every second Thursday
of each month at Chesaning, Mich.
One year....\$0.25
Advertising rates on request."

C. Harold, by the way, is a 4-H club member, and his assistants are Leroy Burgess and Thomas Detwiler, also club members. The advisory committee is made up of Clarence J. Brainerd, local club leader, and Leonard J. Braamse, county club agent.

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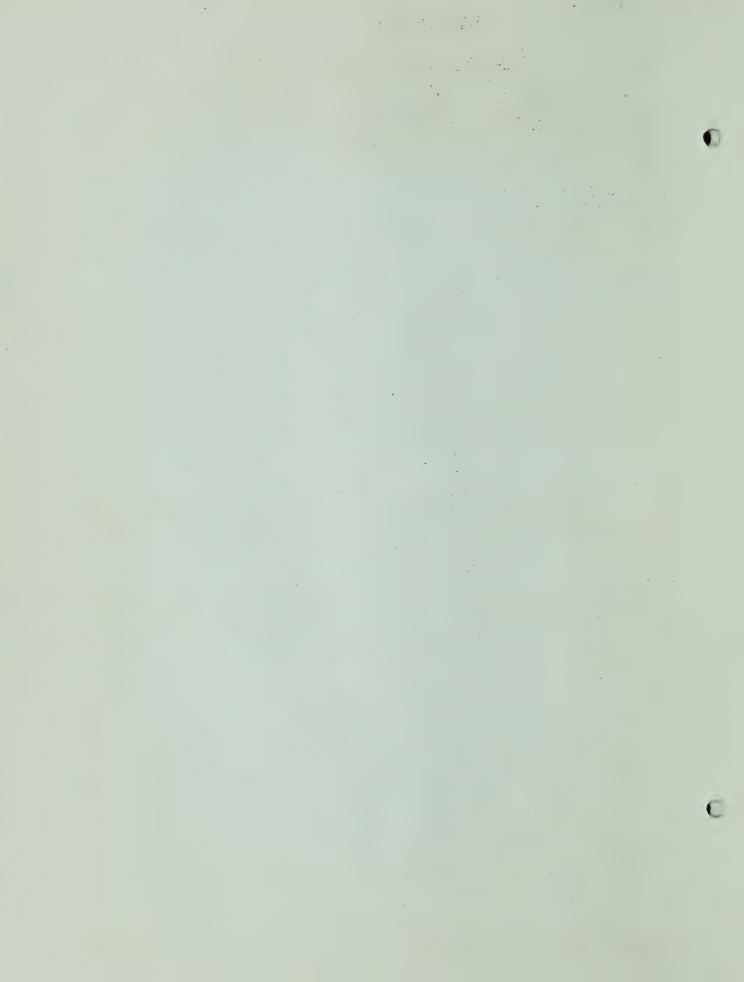
Saginaw County, Mich., publishes a county club news sheet, and the "Demonstration Edition" covers a lot of ground, from "'Vite-Em-In to Eat Their A-B-C Hot Lunch" ranging on through clothing, demonstrations, and handicraft, to a page of songs.

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"FALLON CCUNTY 4-H NEWS," Montana, is the latest comer to the CLUB LEADER exchange desk. We reproduce below the way in which county extension agent J. O. Hembre, who is the editor, urges on to greater effort those boys and girls in the county who failed to turn in reports last year.

" For The Black Sheep

"I have a list here on my desk of 16 boys and girls who kept us from making 100 per cent finish last year. We should publish that black list—but boys and girls I just can not do it. I know how ashamed you would be to see your name in that list. I know, too, that your intentions were good; you intended to get that final report in on time. I have decided to just keep the list in my file, and at the close of this year we will look to see if any of these 16 club members fail to get their 1929 reports in on time. We have faith in you, and we are counting on you. Don't disappoint us again."



PRINT - AND PRINTERS (continued)

Nebraska baby beef clubs this year will have all their subject-matter material in a single printed bulletin. Heretofore, the information and suggestions have been furnished to them in monthly lessons. They will also get some timely suggestions at their regular monthly meeting from a humorous scrial story, installments of which are being published monthly by C. S. Maddox, assistant State extension agent in animal husbandry at the college. This story is about two boys, one an experienced club member, and the other a beginner. Their adventures take them through the various steps of club work from the time they go out to buy their calves until the purple ribbon is hung on the grand champion's halter at the fair.

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The 1929 "WHO'S WHOOT," the annual yearbook for 4-H club work in Kansac, is now in process of preparation. The editorial staff is made up of Who's Who 4-H club members in Kansas who are now attending the Kansas State Agricultural College and who are also members of the Collegiate 4-H Club. The book will contain 64 pages and will be creganized under four main heads, as follows: Campus, album, snapshots, humor, and advertising. In addition, the first part of the book will be given over to material of general interest.

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Ellenson McDougal, of Lee County, N. C., is the first 4-H club boy in the state to be awarded a certificate which shows that he is qualified to engage in terracing work for the farmers in his county. Ellenson was one of eight boys who attended a two-day terracing school conducted in the county by A. T. Holman, agricultural engineer at State College. The boy was present at all meetings and showed in the class room that he had grasped the essential points of running a line of terraces. His practice work in the field was also said to be unusually good, and he actually located terraces on one farm. After completing the school, an examination comprised of 20 questions was given and Ellenson answered them all correctly, after which he was presented with the certificate.

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More than 1,500 club leaders and members from 11 counties of southeastern Minnesota took advantage of an especially planned 4-K excursion to University Farm on March 16. Three special trains were provided for the purpose by a railroad in the territory, at very low rates. The group arrived at University Farm early in the morning, and there was a general program consisting of brief talks by Dean W. C. Coffey, Director F. W. Peck, T. A. Erickson; State club leader, Wylle B. McNeal, chief of the home-economics department at the farm, and others. Club songs and other features were included in the general program. After the program, the visitors were divided into groups, and a trip which included interesting features of the farm was made. In the afternoon the entire group was met at the State Capitol by Governor Theordore Christianson, who made a brief talk emphasizing the value of club work. A visit to the State legislature was made, after which the visitors returned home.

THE GAUNTLET GLUB

Milton Brown, a 4-H club boy of Pulaski County, Ark. by producing almost three bales of cotton on a measured acre of land, has hung up a new State record, not only for club members, but for adult farmers as well. He is the champion cotton grower of Arkansas. The yield of seed cotton on Milton's acre was 4,289 pounds, netting him 1,474 pounds of lint cotton, or practically 3 bales. The total value of the crop, including seed, amounted to \$352.59; and the total cost of production, including labor, rent of land, fertilizer, harvesting and ginning, was \$105.87; giving Milton a net profit of \$246.72.



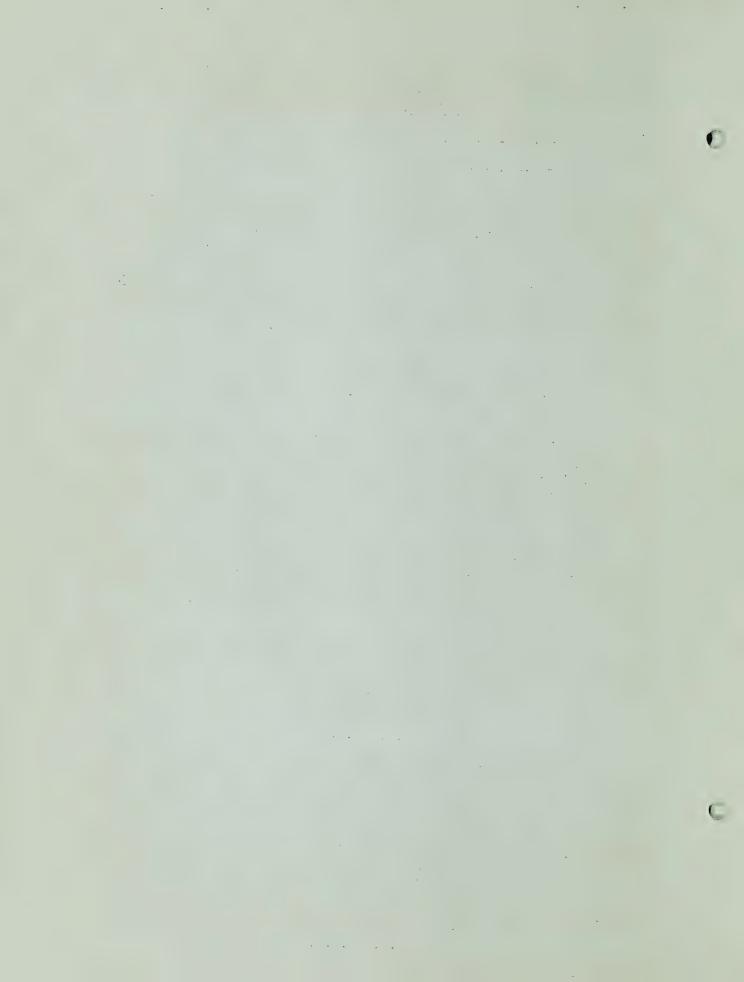
Here is a challenge from A. J. Brundage, State Club Leader, Connecticut, which speaks for itself:

"It seems to be the popular thing to do a little bragging now and then. At the present time the John Kingsbury family of North Coventry contains four local club leaders. Mr. Tingsbury is one of the local leaders of the county dairy club; his wife is local leader of the Sunshine Scissors Clothing club; his daughter, Cora, who was at the National Club Camp last year, is local leader of the Junior Coventry Sunshine Scissors club; and George, who represented Connecticut at the National Dairy Show on the Connecticut judging team 1927, has just taken up the leadership of a dairy club. The fifth member of the family, Laura, who is a student here at Storrs, was the local leader of a canning club last summer and will probably continue her activities again this summer.

"There is a gauntlet - blow the trumpets and marshal a record to beat it. While our address is Connecticut we are from Missouri. We hope you are the same."



West Virginia is aiding the older 4-H boy who has no way of financing his education by assisting him to make money through the handicaft project. William H. Kendrick, assistant director in charge of 4-H clubs, has a mimeographed list which illustrates a number of things made by these boys which might be used to advantage at 4-H camps in teaching handicraft. Among the items included in this list are a combination bracket shelf and tie rack, vesper stool, book trough, wastebasket, and for those who are ready for more advanced work, a 4-H desk, antique stools, and farm signs. This material is sold at special prices when bought in lots. Most of it is furnished knocked down and ready for assembling. For additional information, address Stonewall Craft Shops, Route 5, Weston, W.Va.



THE SEASON IS HERE FOR PLANNING CLUB EXHIBITS

Clothing exhibits offer many problems. While it would be impossible to give any definite instructions as to how any particular exhibit should be arranged, because of differences in amount of space allotted, amount of material to be shown, etc., there are given below a few suggestions of things which have been used to give a maximum of appealing power for a minimum of expense.

Attractive backgrounds, made from a cheap grade of wall paper, using a border, or binder for panel effects, have been used to advantage. Colored burlap has also been used for this purpose, although the initial cost of burlap is rather high. However, material of this type may be used a number of times. Crepe paper has been used effectively for a background, although in many places the use of this material is prohibited by fire regulations.

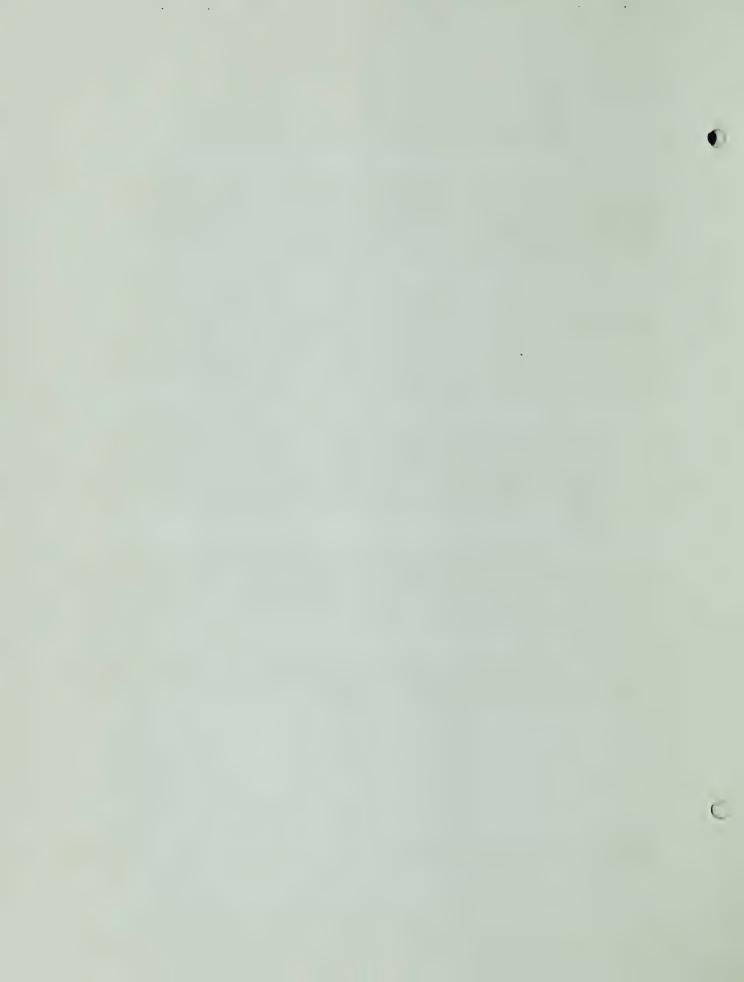
To hold attention, dress forms for showing outstanding dresses, are helps. The expense of wax forms is usually prohibitive, but it is sometimes possible to make arrangements with a local store for the use of this equipment. In some cases, the services of an expert window dresser have been supplied gratis, to assist in setting up an exhibit, in return for a small courtesy card incorporated in the display.

Cut-outs of girls' heads, equipped with a hook similar to a coat hanger, which may be used many times, and for which the initial outlay is not great, may be used to hang up dresses. The use of the right kind of colors for the blonde, brunette, and intermediate types, may be emphasized with the use of these cut-outs, and proper placards.

The use of colorful posters, 4-H club pennants, animated drawings, and samples of materials used in making of garments, will also help to hold the interest of visitors.

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We are giving below an effective arrangement for a county clothing exhibit where the wall space for each community exhibiting is limited.



With a given number of feet of wall space for the county, each community is given so many feet of space for its own particular exhibit. A 2-foot partition may be used effectively between exhibits of each community. There should be no partition, however, between the two communities which are allotted the space in the middle of the entire length of wall space. Out in front of the exhibits of these two communities, the arrangement of three models with dresses of different types, or winning dresses in the entire exhibit, such as house frock, school dress, and party dress, may be used effectively. If action is desired, a wax form, or a framework, covered suitably, holding several garments, may be easily mounted on a turntable equipped with a spring motor similar in construction to that used in phonographs. A slanting table in this central space, to show other items of apparel to complete each outfit, may also be used.

A slanting board may also be built in, several feet from the floor and low enough to interfere with the hanging of the dresses, for the use of each community in showing other items of wearing apparel attractively.

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Thirty-one officers and 16 leaders, representing the 12 organized Attala County, Miss., clubs, attended a meeting in March for the purpose of organizing a county executive committee. After each club made a report of work accomplished to date, officers were elected and the following plan of work for the year was adopted: (1) County executive committee meet quarterly; (2) County loving cup be given to the club that makes best score in county-wide events, as (a) club rally, (b) county camp, (c) exhibits at fair, (d) largest percentage of completions; (3) hold county club rally April 6; (4) hold county camp during the summer; (5) hold a club show in every community; (6) have club booth at county fair; (7) hold club achievement day in December; (8) obtain 80 per cent club completions for the county.

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Joshua A. Cope, extension forester, New York State College of Agriculture, Ithaca, says: "Under the New York State 4-H forestry program, a boy must be 12 years of age to enroll, and the first year he is required to plant and protect and report on an acre plantation of 1,000 trees which are furnished free by the conservation department." After completing this first year, the boy is eligible to enroll in the secondyear work which is entitled "Forest Appreciation." Requirements for this project are to make a collection of leaf, twig, and fruit of 15 common trees. As an incentive for enrollment in the second year, a forest-products association in New York State offers \$50 in prizes each year to be distributed as seems advisable to competent judges. The first prize consists of having transportation furnished and all expenses paid on the Adirondack Forestry tour. Harry Dengler, of Oneida County, won the trip in 1928. The tour is run every year by the Conservation Department in cooperation with the New York State College of Agriculture. It is a threeday tour, starting at the largest forest-tree nursery in the world, at Saratoga Springs. It takes the group up into the scenic Adirondacks country. More than 50 stops are made to see points of historic interest as well as forest plantations all the way from tiny year-old forests just established up to 50-year-old forests which are now ready for the saw. Wood-lot improvement is of chief interest in third-year forestry, when the member marks and cuts trees in the wood lot and measures and markets the timber products. The fourth year the 4-H club boy or girl leans to estimate the board-foot contents of an acre of standing timber and in recognition receives a special certificate from the forestry department at Cornell.

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The first 4-H forestry club in Ohio was organized in Harrison County in 1927 with 11 members. In 1928, the club work in forestry spread to 7 counties with a total enrollment of 126 farm boys and girls. The largest enrollment was in Portage County, with 50 members. This club showed a total of 250 posters with native trees and woods at the county fair, together with living trees showing their different heights and size from 2 to 15 years old. The entire membership among the clubs in Ohio have planted about 125,000 tree seedlings furnished to them by the Department of Forestry. As part of the first-year project each member to be eligible must plant at least 1 acre to trees. Last fall, forestry club members gathered 75 bushels of walnuts, 15 bushels of tulippoplar seed, and 15 bushels of red-oak acorns. This seed was collected by individual club members and sold to the State forestry department for nursery purposes. This represented to the club members who gathered the seed a total sum of about \$100, and in addition they received excellent experience and club credit while doing the work.

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There were forestry clubs last year in six east Texas counties. H. S. Higginbotham, jr., Charles Jameson, and Willie Jinnings are three of the members in Rusk County who are planting one-half acre of long-leaf pine to grow as a forestry-club project this spring besides their work of taking care of at least one other acre of timber.

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NOTES FROM HERE AND THERE ON 4-H FORFSTRY (continued)

In Iowa last year, 3,196 boys and girls were reached in forestry work through 58 meetings at camp forestry schools. This year the girls! 4-H clubs in Muscatine County are taking unusually active interest in forestry club work.

There are two kinds of 4-H club work in forestry being done in Louisiana. The first is the junior patrol which is organized as a section of the Louisiana Division of forest-fire prevention work. The junior patrol is a group of 5 to 10 boys who are given charge of an area of 10,000 to 20,000 acres. These boys are paid on the basis of 1 cent an acre and do the work and take the place of a regular patrolman, working under the district ranger or his assistant. The second kind of club work is for boys who do not have the opportunity to join junior patrols. These boys protect the woods on either their own place or the place of a neighbor. They build fire lines around this woodland. They also assist neighbors in fire prevention and suppression and spread the fire-prevention message throughout the neighborhood.

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. Of the 521 boys and girls enrolled in 4-H forestry work in New Hampshire last year, 341 completed their projects. Club members planted 139,025 trees and improved 220 acres, 78 acres of which represents releasing, thinning, and pruning. One hundred and twenty-four wood collections were made.

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William F. Johnston, county agricultural agent, Van Buren County, Mich., addressed the South Haven Kiwanis Club in the spring of 1928, using as his topic the possibilities of referestation through the aid of the 4-H extension clubs. "You get the boys and girls to plant and care for them. We'll furnish the trees," was the answer of the members of the Kiwanis Club. Twenty-nine boys and one girl enrolled in the first 4-H extension forestry club in the county. R. F. Kroodsma, extension forester, Michigan State College, held a demonstration in the county on planting pine trees for the benefit of the club members. The Kiwanians furnished 24,000 red pine seedlings, and each club member was presented with 800 to be planted on the waste places of his father's farm. Requirements were that each club member plant the trees according to instructions, exhibit one on Achievement Day, and write a story concerning his experiences in connection with the forestry project, all being in accordance with the 4-H forestry project rules. At the Van Buren County Fair, Arnold Servatius was declared county champion. He showed the best tree, had the best story, and his report revealed that only 5 trees out of the 300 he planted failed to live through the summer.

Orleans County, Vt., has a forestry club composed entirely of girls who call themselves the K. Y. T:s. The organization is known as the "Know Your Trees Club."

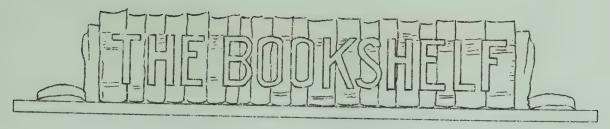
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A group of Finnish-American boys of St. Louis County, Minn., around 12 years of age, when organizing "The Pioneer Forestry Club" this spring, drew up a set of 10 laws among themselves, without assistance, which would have done credit to an adult group.

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THE PSYCHOLOGY OF THE ADOLESCENT

By Leta S. Hollingworth

D. Appleton and Company, Publishers. (1928, 259 pages).

"The Psychology of the Adolescent," by Dr. Leta S. Hollingworth, is acknowledged by many leading psychologists as the best book so far written on the subject. Leaders of youth will find in it constructive guidance in solving perplexing problems in their field. Casting aside much of the lore regarding adolescence written within the past quarter of a century, Dr. Hollingworth points out clearly how adult leaders can guide young people effectively in making proper adjustments in this gradual period of change between childhood and adulthood.

Regarding the importance of formulating early some sort of a life plan, she says in part, "A person who has achieved no vocational experience or preparation in early youth, is likely to become a drifter, a jack-of-all-trades, a vocational opportunist. A genuine career must usually be founded in the years of early youth." Further on the statement is made, "It is of the utmost importance that inspirational teaching, which urges one and all to scale the heights and enter the learned professions, be avoided.***The manual work of the world, for which the majority are by nature fitted, should be treated with the respect it deserves. *** Along with the heroes of politics, finance, medicine, and law, should be cited the good builders, potters, and weavers."

Relative to earning money, Dr. Hollingworth states, "Since for most people today, as in primitive times, life depends upon work, the habit of earning one's way should be formed early."

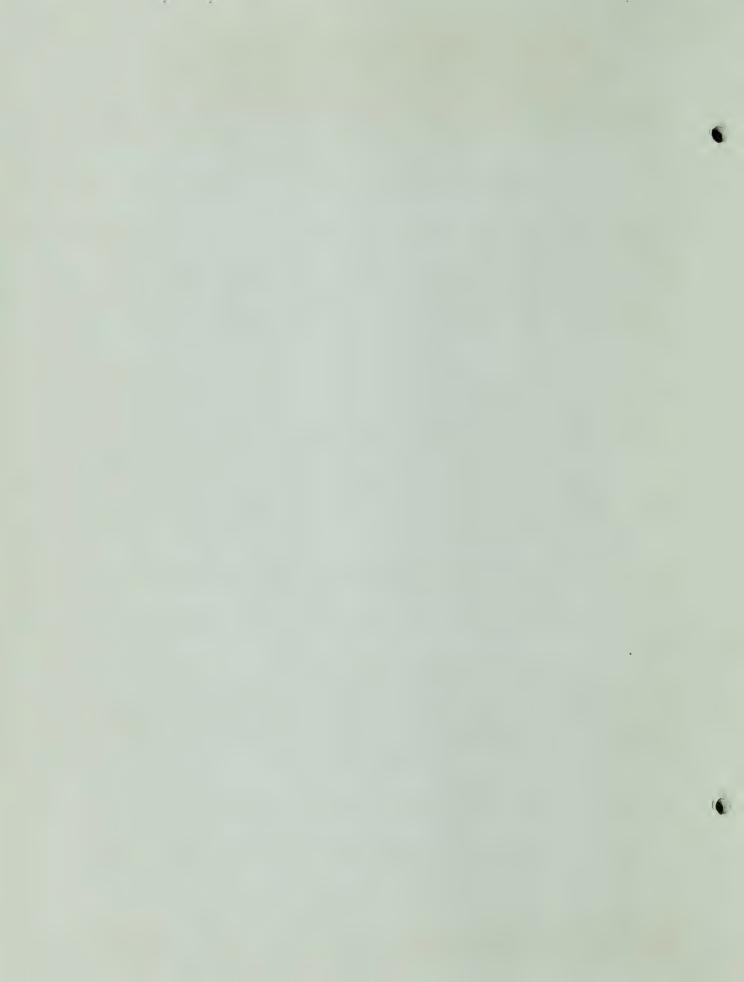
Throughout are presented arguments favoring coeducation for adolescents.

In addition to the discussions regarding the outstanding characteristics of the adolescent and methods of dealing with them successfully, club leaders will be interested in Dr. Hollingworth's discussion regarding visits away from home, the separate room, the diary, the influence of biography, history, fiction, and dramatics, as well as the influence of parents, companions, and teachers.

In conclusion, Dr. Hollingworth pictures the "adequate adult"-the end-product of successful guidance of the adolescent.

---Review prepared by Gertrude L. Warren.

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CALENDAR

ARKANSAS	- State 4-H Club Camp, Fayetteville, August 6-9.	
FLORIDA	- Boys' Club Short Course, Gainesville, May 27-June 1. Girls' Club Short Course, Tallahassee, May 31-June 8.	
ILLINOIS	- Junior Club University Tour, Urbana, June 5-7. Four-H Club Department, State Fair, Springfield, August 17-24.	
AWOI	- Girls' 4-H Short Course, Ames, June 11-14. Boys' 4-H Short Course, Ames, June 16-19.	
KANSAS	- Four-H Club Department, State Fair, Topeka, September 7-14. Four-H Club Department, State Fair, Hutchinson, September 14-21	
KENTUCKY	- Ninth Annual Junior Week, Lexington, June 10-15, (Corrected date).	
MASSACHUSETTS	- Camp Vail, Eastern States Exposition, Springfield, September 15-21.	
NEBRASKA	- Four-E Club Department, State Fair, Lincoln, August 30 - September 6. Ak-sar-ben Interstate Livestock Show, Omaha, November 1-8.	
NORTH CAROLINA - State 4-H Short Course, Raleigh, July 29-August3.		
OHIO	- State 4-H Club Camp, New State Extension Camp, Licking County, July 8-13.	
OKLAHOMA	- Eighth Annual 4-H Round-Up, Stillwater, July 30-August 2.	
OREGON	- Camp Plummer, National Livestock Exposition, Portland, October 26-November 2.	
TENNESSEE	- Four-H Club Congress for Southern States, Mid-South Fair and Dairy Show, Memphis, September 20-October 2.	
VERMONT	- State 4-H Club Week (State Camp), Burlington, June 27-July 3.	

Believing that a local leader's statement of methods and experience would furnish helpful suggestions to its readers, the CLUB LEADER has made a reprint of the address given by Mrs. Sam Younker, local leader of a 100 per cent completion club in North Logan, Utah. The reprint is being sent out with this issue of the LEADER.

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HOW TO CONDUCT A 100 PER CENT CLUB*

Mrs. Sam Younker, Local Club Leader, North Logan, Utah.

I am happy to tell you how we have organized our club and all that I can that may have helped us to obtain this record.

Before any new organization can be effected there must be a need. The growth of the 4-H clubs in the United States proves that there is such a need.

After the parents in a community see the need of club work they should investigate thoroughly and know what it is and how it is accomplished. They should have a copy of the year's outline of work and be able to estimate the amount of time it will take to complete the intended project. When the question of club work is finally presented to the girls or boys it should be fully explained before they are allowed to sign their enrollment cards.

After they had signed up for the sewing project we found our first-year girls felt very dignified. At our first meeting they seriously elected responsible officers. Our girls were then 11 to 12 years old and thought it great fun to hold orderly meetings. At this first meeting we decided when we would meet and at what time meetings would be called to order. We emphasized the importance of punctuality. We went through our year's outline, and I gave them an idea of what we were going to do. This I made as interesting as I could. We talked about the best sewing equipment to buy, sang a couple of club songs, and at a set time some member made the motion to adjourn.

We have always conducted our meetings in this order, saving 15 or 20 minutes to talk over little things that might come up before our next meeting and briefly about the next phase in our sewing-club work. This seems to leave us all anxious for that next meeting.

Of the four years of club work I consider the first the most important, for it is during this year that a group must learn to work cheerfully and effectively together for the good of all through their own self-betterment. I think the greatest help in directing this teamwork is the study and daily practice of our club motto and club pledge. After I had taught my girls to repeat their pledge correctly one of them said, "I feel that I am really saying something, now."

A group of club members will not be assembled long before a club leader realizes that she has to guide a collection of individuals each with more or less definite characteristics. Certain problems along this line may need careful analyzing and tactful handling. Failure to overcome an undesirable trait in a member may cause the leader to feel that she has not done her

^{*}A talk given at the 1929 4-H Club Leaders' Training School, Logan, Utah, March 4-9, 1929.

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best--but we go on, knowing that a few years of club work and its ideals must some time have the desired effect.

I have very happy memories of our first year's work. I shared all the girls' experiences, trials, and pleasures. They took great pride in their new sewing equipment. Learning to use their thimbles was most difficult. They were delighted with their darns. As one girl said, "Why, a darn is beautiful." We all enjoyed our talks about suitable fabrics, colors, and prices, and the girls considered the accurate measuring for the purchasing of their materials a novel experience, for it was the first time most of them had done this by themselves.

The interest of the girls made it possible to work up three demonstrations in our club, and one of our team was chosen to go to Salt Lake as alternate for Cache County. This was an unexpected reward. The girls had a very profitable trip which they wished to share with all the others, so we arranged a meeting and asked all the methers and our farm bureau officers. The girls told of all they had seen and done in Salt Lake. They made their trip so interesting that our other girls were eager to do their work still better. And so we concluded the first year's work with the strong desire to go on.

The second year's organization was a matter of routine. Twelve of our original thirteen girls came to the first meeting with their officers in mind and promptly set about making their "best better." They worked diligently to complete this year's project.

By the third year club work had become a sort of habit. Our same 12 girls were ready to reorganize. This year, besides our regular officers, we elected a chorister. Our method of precedure was practically the same. Our president called the meeting to order at the time agreed upon. Our secretary read the minutes and called the roll. Our chorister led us through two songs. We then talked over any new business before we began our afternoon's sewing. Twenty minutes before time to adjourn we came to order and talked over the work of the next meeting for 10 minutes, and for 10 minutes we practiced the health exercises in our bulletin and again came to order for a member to make the motion to adjourn. We think we were able to do more work with greater ease by this orderly method.

Early in club work we found that girls do not like to undo their work to correct mistakes so we tried to avoid these mistakes by planning carefully beforehand just how different details were to be done. Here we found too that it saved time to show the girls actual finished garments—but for this, one needs several types of finished garments, for what they see and like they usually want. At one time in our club we had five or six identical aprons because I had shown them one of mine.

We have found that our members like to call on us at any time for help. We encourage them to do so and are pleased to have this opportunity to give individual help, for it seems to bring us more closely together.



During the first part of our third year our girls decided that club work was all right and they wanted more of it but they objected to demonstrating. Upon thinking this over I decided that they needed a new point of view, so at our next meeting I told them all about extension work, how it is carried on and passed down to many. I told them their club work had come to them through the help and time of several persons and asked them if they thought it right that it should stop with them. But they thought they should pass it on, so our next question was how that could be done in the amount of time they would have to spare. From that angle we decided together that the demonstration was the most effective method of teaching the greatest number.

Up to this time, we as leaders, had selected our own demonstration teams. After our discussion we thought it would be best for each girl to prove her ability to teach others through this medium. So our 12 girls formed 6 teams. They chose their own demonstration topics, worked them out, and competed in our local. Each girl was scored individually regardless of her topic. After the two girls were chosen to represent our club we chose for our demonstration topic, "Posture and Its Relation to Health and Clothing."

We were pleased to represent Cache County at Salt Lake, and there we felt ourselves a part of a great educational movement. I could not help but wish that every father and mother of every club boy and girl could have been there. For three days, beginning at 9 in the morning, stopping an hour at noon, then continuing until 5, club girls from all over our State demonstrated every conceivable phase of club work. Little girls 10 years old making muffins before a large audience found that their oven wouldn't heat, but there were few other catastrophes and many fine successful domonstrations, making it exceedingly hard for the judges who sat there day in and out scoring those demonstrations point by point. It was the most wonderful sight I have ever seen. Those demonstrations were scheduled beforehand. Each team was allowed 30 minutes, and not once was there a new team that was not all dressed in uniform ready to go on the stage as the preceding one stepped off. Then on the last morning we breathlessly awaited the judges' decision, and there was hearty applause when the winners were announced. All these girls had gone to Salt Lake hoping to win but knowing that only one team could be chosen to represent cur State. This fine attitude of good sportsmanship is. I think, the greatest lesson in club work.

On our way home we decided to tell the other girls and their mothers each minute detail, so we gave a party and carefully divided the information so as not to miss a thing. We were able to make the others feel, as we did, that they were playing a part in this great work.

Now we are ready for our fourth-year work, with our 12 girls still anxious to enroll and determined to do their best.

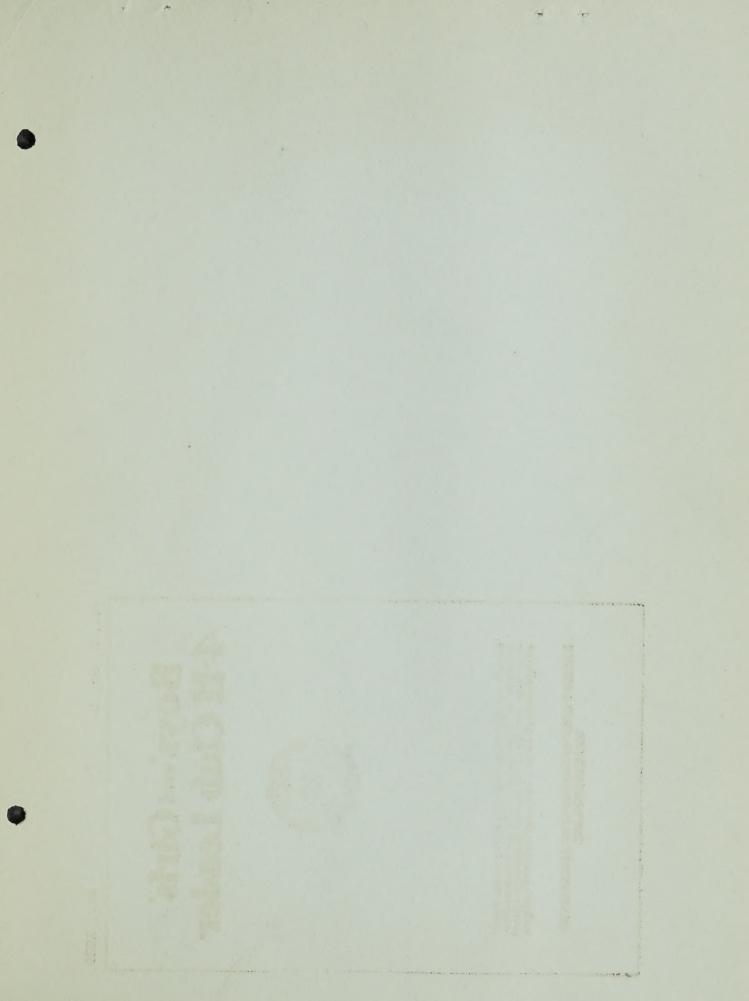
We have broader plans which we wish to carry through this year. In North Logan we have a sister club which will be in its third year of work and a new club of beginners. We hope to organize so as to give to these clubs all we can of our experience and to receive in return their fresh interest and enthusiasm. We shall organize and meet separately and also have joint meetings to

discuss our problems and work out their solution ..

A week from Friday night we have planned a party to work up additional club spirit. All our girls and mothers in North Logan will attend. We shall have a short program of talks on club work, organization, and the responsibility of club officers. We shall conclude with yell contests, songs, and games.

Boys and girls of club age are ready to do, and to take pleasure in doing, things that are worth while. They are easily directed and eager to please. Leaders need to have social, work, and demonstration plans to furnish delightful anticipation; to work in a few surprises and to close each meeting with a new interesting topic; to be generous with praise and tactful with criticism. Club members, like all children, have a way of knowing their elders attitude, so, as examples, let us live up to our 4-H motto and pledge, for therein lies the key to success.

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